

SOCIETY NEWS AND CHAT

WASHINGTON society is resting. It is scattered almost to the four corners of the earth, a little here, some still in the mountains, much of it on the ocean, a little in New York, and a great deal of it in the country. There are many more members of smart society here now than two weeks ago, the percentage of returning wanderers the last few days having been very large. Only a few of the uptown mansions remain barricaded.

The return of the family of the President to the White House is the cue which marks the opening of the embassies and legations, and those in turn attract many others high in authority, and surely by the middle of November nearly all members of official and smart society will be registered in their homes and clubs, excepting, of course, many Senators and Representatives, who never come until December.

All signs point to the departure of Mrs. Roosevelt with the President, on his proposed trip to Panama, leaving November 8. She will not take any of the children with her, but will have some woman friend or relative along, no doubt.

Mrs. Longworth, who is greatly missed, by the way, from her place as the leader of the young smart set of the Capital, is as greatly interested in the game of politics as she ever was in dancing or horse racing. Washington will see nothing of her until after the Congressional election.

Mrs. Fairbanks is having a delightful and informal time in her charming home in Indianapolis and is not thinking of returning to Washington until late in November. Mrs. Timmons, daughter of the Vice President, and wife of Lieut. John W. Timmons, U. S. N., returned to her home on Washington Heights after a flying visit West with Lieutenant Timmons on the first vacation he has taken this summer. She left shortly after her return for Indianapolis to join her father and mother, and with them will make an automobile tour of Ohio, visiting friends and relatives throughout the State. She will return to Washington after the election.

Mrs. Root, wife of the Secretary of State, is in her Washington home, getting accustomed to her new quarters in the former home of ex-Vice President and Mrs. Morton, before the season actually opens. Miss Root is making her fall visit to her grandmother, Mrs. Wales, and will be absent until the first of November.

Mrs. Taft, wife of the Secretary of War, is resting after her exciting experiences of the past few weeks of going from Murray Bay, Canada, to Cuba for a visit. Every minute of her time in Cuba was taken up in being entertained, and much was crowded into the ten days which she and Mrs. Bacon, wife of the Assistant Secretary of State, spent in Havana.

Robert Taft, son of the Secretary of War and Mrs. Taft, who has recently taken his examinations for entrance to Yale, acquitted himself most creditably, and not only succeeded in passing, but took two prizes. He is only seventeen years of age, and one of the youngest men who has ever entered Yale. Miss Helen Taft, his sister, and the special chum of Miss Ethel Roosevelt, is at Bryn Mawr at school for the winter.

Mrs. Shaw, wife of the Secretary of the Treasury, and her daughters are all in Iowa, and will remain away until the middle of November.

Mrs. Bonaparte, wife of the Secretary of the Navy, spends a day or two each week over here, but is spending her fall season in her country place, "Bella Vista," near Baltimore.

Mrs. Hitchcock, wife of the Secretary of the Interior, and her family, have returned to their home in K street.

Mrs. Metcalf, wife of the Secretary of Commerce and Labor, is enjoying a quiet time in her Washington home.

Mrs. Cortelyou, wife of the Postmaster General, is also enjoying much quiet this fall, and will probably not take an active part in social affairs on account of the death of her father.

There is little chance of the return this season of Miss Wilson, daughter of and hostess for the Secretary of Agriculture. Her music and books have more attractions for her than a season in Washington as a Cabinet hostess.

Members of the diplomatic colony in Washington are gradually returning to their posts of duty at their various embassies and legations.

The German ambassador, Baron Von Sternburg, and his charming American wife, who was Miss Lily Langham, have arrived at the embassy after summering at Beverly Farms. The other members of their official household are also established in Washington for the winter, with the exception of the naval attaché, Herr Hebbinghaus, and Frau Hebbinghaus, and the second secretary, Dr. von Kulmann, and Mme. von Kulmann.

The Mexican embassy is in as full working order as it can be with no ambassador present. Senator Don Manuel Zapata Vera, jr., the third secretary, who is still in Mexico, being the only member of the ambassador's staff who is still absent.

Baron Heymerle is keeping bachelor hall at the Austrian embassy. He is the first to return from Bar Harbor, where the embassy was established during the summer. He came on Friday. The Ambassador and Baroness Hengelmüller are still in Newport. They will not return before the first of the month. Count Szechenyi, who is still in Bar Harbor, is expected to join Baron Heymerle here on Tuesday.

The French Ambassador and Mme. Jusserand are now in Boston, having arrived from Europe with the remains of Mrs. Richards, Mme. Jusserand's mother. The funeral and interment will be in Boston. There will be no social functions in the embassy this winter owing to the mourning of Mme. Jusserand. M. des Portes and Mlle. des Portes de La Fosse returned recently from Newport, where they have been since their arrival from Europe. Lieutenant de Blanpre, naval attaché to the embassy, and Mme. de Blanpre have also returned to Washington and have selected their home for the winter, 1809 Eighteenth street northwest.

The Japanese Ambassador and Viscountess Aoki are now established in the Sherman residence, 1321 K street, which they have leased for residential purposes this winter. The office of the embassy will remain at its former home, 1310 N street, which will also serve as the residence of the bachelor members of the staff. M. Miyaoka and his charming little Japanese wife will remain in their apartment in the Highlands for the rest of the season.

The second secretary of the Japanese embassy, Masanao Hanihara, who has spent the summer in Alaska, will return to Washington some time next week.

Baron Moncheur, of the Belgian legation, with the baroness, her mother, Mrs. Powell Clayton, and her sisters, Mrs. S. G. Jones and Miss Clayton, arrived in Washington last week.

Gen. Powell Clayton, former American ambassador to Mexico, and father of the baroness, will arrive in a few weeks to be present at the marriage of Miss Clayton and Arthur Grant-Duff. This will take place on November 12, at 4 o'clock, in the Belgian legation. The bride-elect will be attended by an old school friend, Miss Grace Thompson, of St. Louis. Mr. Grant-Duff has not yet announced his best man. He is now on leave of absence, visiting his home in England, but will sail for this country on October 31, and will come immediately to Washington.



SENORA DE PEREZ TRIANA,
Wife of First Secretary of Colombian
Legation, Recently Transferred to
London, and Daughter Virginia.

ton. He has just completed a term of service as British charge d'affaires in Darmstadt, Germany, but is now the British minister to Cuba, and will present his credentials there as soon as the affairs there settle down. This is a romance of the diplomatic service in Mexico, the two young people meeting and becoming engaged during the bride-elect's father's regime as American ambassador, and when the bridegroom-elect was first secretary of the British embassy and charge d'affaires there. That engagement was subsequently broken, and Mr. Grant-Duff went to Sweden, and then to Darmstadt, and it was only last winter that the engagement was renewed and announced in the spring. Mr. Grant-Duff is the eldest son of the late Sir Mounts Stuart Grant-Duff, and has had considerable experience in the diplomatic service of his country.

Mr. Nabuco, the Brazilian ambassador, is still in Brazil, and it is not known just when he will return to this country. Mme. Nabuco arrived in Washington last week and opened the embassy for the season. There will, however, be no social functions there this winter on account of the recent death of her father, Baron d'Inohan.

Mr. do Amaral and Mme. do Amaral and the other members of the Brazilian contingent in Washington, have returned from their summer vacations and are all established for the winter.

A successor to Senor Walker-Martinez, minister from Chile, has not yet been appointed, and Mr. Yoacham is charge d'affaires ad interim. He is established at 1915 N street. Mr. Salinas, the second secretary, is also in Washington, and is staying at the Grafton.

The Cuban Minister and Mme. Quesada and their charming children are still at the Raleigh. They have not yet decided upon their winter quarters. Mme. Quesada spent some years at the Raleigh before Cuba became a free country and when Mr. Quesada was serving his country as its representative. Mme. Quesada lived at that time in semi-seclusion, and she would not exchange visits with members of the Diplomatic Corps, following out her decision that she would never go among them until she was the wife of the duly accredited minister.

The minister from Switzerland, Mr. Vogel, arrived in New York yesterday on the steamer America, and will come to Washington in a day or two.

Mr. de Pury, who has been in charge of affairs of the legation in his absence from this country, returned to Washington about a fortnight ago from Lenox, where he spent a most enjoyable summer.

Mr. de Pury is one of the most popular members of the Diplomatic Corps in Washington, and is especially in demand with Washington hostesses during the social season, for he makes a charming dinner guest. All summer at Lenox he was the constant companion of the British ambassador at innumerable games of cricket, golf, and tennis, and at each of these drew several prizes. He was also a prominent figure at all of the Berkshire Hunt runs.

Pol Le Tellier, attaché of the Belgian legation, who has been acting consul general at Philadelphia all summer in the place of Paul Hagemans, will return to Washington within the next week or two.

Madame Triana, wife of Senor Don Eduardo Perez Triana, the first secretary of the Colombian legation, will leave Washington on Tuesday with her husband, for their new post in London, their little daughter Virginia accompanying them. This is a change which will cause sincere regret in Washington society, for both the secretary and his wife have been extremely popular during the few years of residence here. Madame Triana was born in England, and was formerly Miss Margaret Collbran. She lived much of her girlhood in Colorado, but was married to Senor Triana in Philadelphia. They have since done what all members of the Diplomatic Corps do, lived everywhere. Their stations have included London and Paris, as well as Washington. Madame is considered easily the best dressed woman in the corps here, her Paris gowns and hats being the envy and the model for many a young woman, and old ones, too, for the matter of that.

Personal

Mrs. Basil Gordon, who has been spending some time at the Virginia Hot Springs, made a short visit recently in Baltimore. She is now in her country place, Wakefield Manor, Va. She and her daughters will sail in December for



Miss Aileen Kerr, who will marry Charles McIlvaine Harris on November 7, and Miss Isabella Hagner, Social Secretary and Former Sunday School Scholar of Mrs. Roosevelt, Wife of the President.

making their home at the Woodley this winter, are originally from Mansfield, Ohio.

Mrs. Sallie Wright, and Miss Mary Smith Buckner, of Virginia, are visiting their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Thornton, 528 Third street northwest.

Mrs. Howell Carroll, and her daughter, Miss Carroll, who occupied an apartment last winter at Stoneleigh Court, will spend this winter in Europe. They are now spending a few weeks at the Hotel Belvedere in Baltimore before sailing.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank P. Mitchell, formerly Mrs. Augusta H. Hare, whose marriage was an important event of last week, have returned from a short bridal tour, and will spend the early season at Mrs. Mitchell's home, 1207 Rhode Island avenue. Later in the winter Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell will sail for an extensive tour of Europe.

Cards are out for the first dance of the season given by the Renroe Club, at the Arlington Hotel, Friday evening, October 26, dancing at 8:30.

Mrs. W. J. Stewart (nee Parris), formerly of this city, but now a resident of Oakland, Cal., is visiting her sister, Mrs. S. E. Jackson, at 712 Eighteenth street northwest.

Brigadier General and Mrs. Sawtelle, who arrived in New York from Europe yesterday, will come to Washington early this week and will reside at 1925 N street northwest.

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Bell are still at their charming country place in Nova Scotia, and their home in Connecticut avenue is being occupied in their absence by their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. David Fairchild.

Mrs. Shonts and the Misses Shonts arrived in New York yesterday from Europe and are now at their Washington home. The Misses Shonts will make their debut to Washington society this winter, although they are not really to be called debutantes, having already been presented at the court of St. James last summer.

Mrs. James Robert McKee, daughter of the late ex-President Benjamin Harrison, who has spent the past summer traveling abroad with her two children, Benjamin Harrison McKee and Miss Mary Lodge McKee, who were babies

a year abroad. She will be missed from society here.

Mrs. Keating, wife of C. H. Keating, deputy auditor of the Postoffice Department, and Miss Keating arrived in Washington last Thursday, and joined Mr. Keating, who has been in Washington since his appointment to office last April. Mr. and Mrs. Keating, who will



MRS. JOHN RIDGLEY CARTER,
Wife of First Secretary American Em-
bassy in London, and Daughter of
Mrs. D. P. Morgan, of This City,
Who is Now in This Country
and Will Soon Visit
Washington.

during their grandfather's administration, is expected to return to her home in New York city this month. Mrs. McKee has formed the going abroad habit, and spends each summer now traveling over fresh scenes with her two interesting companions, Benjamin and Mary. Mr. McKee usually joins them at the end of their trip and returns to this country with them. Mrs. Benjamin Harrison, the young widow of the late ex-President, has spent her summer in the picturesque camp in the Adirondacks, which General Harrison planned so carefully a few years before his death. It was a favorite retiring place with him, because of its isolation

and its splendid fishing and hunting. He always went there as early as possible and stayed as late as he could. This is the first summer Mrs. Harrison has returned to that spot since his death. Her young daughter, Miss Elizabeth Harrison, who has not been very strong at any time, is much benefited by the long summer spent in the rugged atmosphere. They will return to their home in Indianapolis very shortly. A visit to Washington is a possibility within the next year or so. She has, however, observed the deepest mourning ever since the death of the ex-President, and only recently has taken any part in social affairs.

The shades are up every day now in the great Letter mansion on Dupont Circle, and the barricading is coming down from the doors and gateways, unmistakable evidences that the mistress of the stately pile is soon returning, to spend her winter with her motherless granddaughters. She is expected on November 15. Mrs. Letter is very happy to have these daughters of Lady Curzon with her in her lonely home. She has had a family reunion up in her Scottish highland summer home, "Tulloch Castle" the past three months. The beautiful Countess of Suffolk, known here as Miss Daisy Letter, and quaint and sweet-natured Mrs. Colin Campbell, formerly Miss Nannie Letter, were both there. Lord Curzon also joined the party for a time.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Fellows Morgan, of Short Mills N. J., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Beatrice Morgan, to Frederick S. Pruyn, of Albany, N. Y. Miss Morgan, who is a niece of Mrs. John Ridgley Carter, wife of the first secretary of the American embassy in London, made her debut to Washington society two years ago when her parents had a house in Washington. Mrs. David P. Morgan, of Washington, her grandmother, gave at that time in her honor one of the most brilliant balls of that season.

Mrs. Tilton J. Coffey, whose charming granddaughter, Miss Evelyn Chew, is one of this season's buds, will introduce her to society at tea at her home, 1713 K street, Tuesday afternoon, November 27.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry S. Heath are in Washington and are staying at the New Willard for a few days.

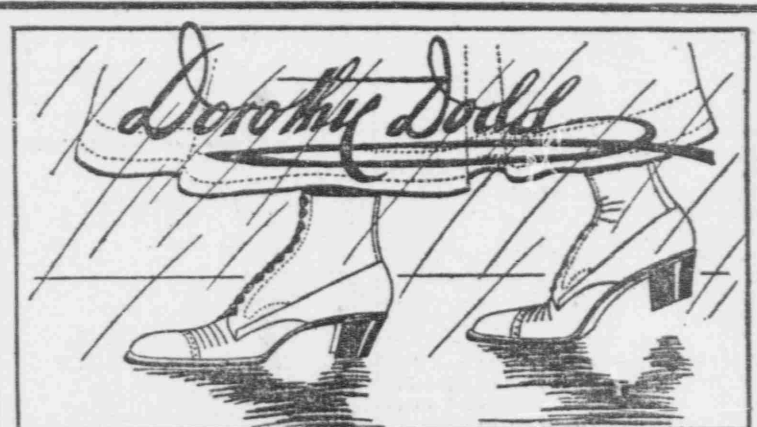
Mr. and Mrs. David McCarthy, of Syracuse, will make their home in Washington this winter and are already in possession of their residence in N street, near Seventeenth. They will be a welcome addition to the musical as well as social circles of Washington, as Mrs. McCarthy has a charming voice.

Mrs. Philip H. Sheridan and her daughters, the Misses Sheridan, have returned to their Washington home.

The Rev. C. Ernest Smith and Mrs. Smith, who have spent the past three months at their summer home in Prince George county, will open their home in N street about November 1.

Society will be well represented at the coming meeting of the United Hunts Racing Association, Benning. Among those expected are: Mr. and Mrs. Perry Belmont, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred G. Vanderbilt, Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Vanderbilt, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lehr, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph E. Widener, Mrs. James L. Kernochan,

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